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SHATTUCK AVE. RAILROAD BRIDGE TO RE-OPEN IN DECEMBER Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad replaces wood beams with steel

RENTON—On November 6, 2006, a vehicle that exceeded the posted vertical clearance of the Shattuck Avenue Railroad Bridge dislodged two of the overhead beams. The City of Renton has closed the single-lane portion of Shattuck Avenue that passes underneath the railroad bridge until the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) construction crews repair the damage. The roadway will be re-opened as soon as the repair work is complete, expected December 1, 2006.

In addition to the repair, BNSF is replacing the wing walls adjacent to the bridge, removing unused timber members and adding new steel beams on each side of the bridge to stop vehicles that exceed the height restriction before they reach the bridge.